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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Dimitri PAPADIMITRIOU, Bart ROUSSEAU  
ESTABLISHING DIVERSE CONNECTIONS VIA DIFFERENT EDGE  
NODES  
**Assignee: ALCATEL**  
Our Ref. Q79004

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 16 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet, an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), and a Preliminary Amendment.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	10	-	20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	5	-	3	=	2	x	\$86.00	= \$172.00
Base Fee								\$770.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>								<b>\$942.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment								\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b>\$982.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$942.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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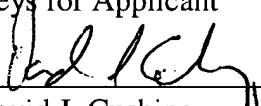
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Europe	03290252.0	February 3, 2003

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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